

SUPERVISORS WOULD AMEND R. T. FRANCHISE

Board Proposes Changes That Will Be Considered at Meeting Tonight

A petition of property owners to compel the public utilities commission to start proceedings towards compelling an extension of street car lines.

Every 20 years a commission to be appointed to revise the rate to be paid the city on earnings of the rapid transit company.

The board of supervisors to have the right to specify the streets on which tracks may be laid, their grades and the speed rate of the company's cars.

That is the gist of the amendments to the amendments to the rapid transit company's franchise as proposed by a committee of supervisors at a conference with James L. Coke, attorney for the public utilities commission, yesterday afternoon. They were accepted by Mr. Coke and will be proposed at tonight's public hearing on the subject to be held in the senate chamber of the capitol.

The supervisors' committee was not appointed by the mayor until after the draft of the amendments to the company's franchise as proposed by Mr. Coke and A. L. Castle, attorney for the rapid transit company, had been accepted by the utilities commission for submission to the public. The conference yesterday afternoon was held to give the committee a chance to incorporate its ideas in the document to be submitted to the meeting tonight.

The board's special committee did a good deal of work this morning upon other phases of the proposed charter. One point which was taken up was that of making the 2 1/2 per cent payment to the city distinctly a first charge. The tentative draft so implied, but did not specifically state the fact.

The supervisors this morning talked over the extent to which the city should seek to reserve control of the streets. Supervisor Logan, chairman of the finance committee, was called into the conference with the special committee.

The supervisors will adjourn after a short session tonight and attend the hearing at the capitol in a body. If their amendments are accepted it is probable that they will approve the submission of the new franchise to Congress for passage at this session.

Hafiz, besides being the name of a famous Persian poet, is a title conferred on any Mohammedan who has committed the whole of the Koran to memory.

Fire destroyed the summer home of Daniel Guggenheim at Long Branch, N. J., at a loss of \$250,000.

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'U. S. FIRST' IN JAPANESE SCHOOL SYSTEM DECIDED

Hongwanji Buddhists Make Formal Announcement of Radical Changes

That the Japanese schools in Hawaii must recognize the superior authority of the territorial school authorities and must devote their energies to training pupils for American, not Japanese, citizenship, is the substance of an emphatic statement made by the new consul-general, Hon. Rokuro Mori, in an interview with a representative of the Star-Bulletin.

The interview was given after the consul-general had inspected all the Japanese schools in Honolulu, a duty to which he addressed himself immediately upon taking his post here.

Simultaneously there comes an announcement from the Hongwanji Buddhists, Japanese teachers, that they have decided upon a radical reorganization of their private school system. They will drop the terms "high school" and "grammar school," will materially restrict their present educational system, and will try to make it subordinate to the American school system instead of, as in the past, often quite as important as the public school work of Hawaii.

The entire movement, regarded by the Japanese as one of the most striking developments in years, is announced as a strong effort to fit the Japanese children for full citizenship duty in Hawaii in the future.

Consul Mori's Views.
Speaking of his investigations of the school situation, Consul-general Mori said:

"It may be a matter of pride for the Japanese to have their own schools here, but it may have a different aspect for Americans. Suppose we change our position and imagine that Americans resident in Japan should establish their own schools and educate their children, born there, as our schools here might be educating Japanese children on the lines of a Japanese national education. I hardly think Japan would welcome such action.

"Americans are indeed a broad-minded people—they perhaps would not interfere in this at present, but I believe the time has come when the question of the present Japanese schools must be raised.

"Therefore I say that the attitude of the present Japanese schools must be strictly clear on the subject of American authority. At the same time future development of the schools must be aimed at teaching the Japanese language only as a language for future American citizens, not as a part of the Japanese national education.

"To this the Japanese schools must have the same spirit as the American public schools, and by so doing the Japanese will avoid misunderstanding and prove that friendship may exist between the two nations."

Buddhist Teachers' Announcement.

The announcement of the Hongwanji (Buddhist) educators says that the old order of things here is changing, that Japanese residing in Hawaii have become firmly determined to live here and bring up their children here instead of returning to Japan, and that it is plain the Japanese schools are being filled with youths who are entitled to citizenship and expect to become American citizens. The announcement goes on to say that the Hongwanji leaders have decided to abandon their old educational system, to give instruction for a short time morning and evening only, and then in nothing much but the Japanese language, and to make the schools more of homes for ethical and economic teaching than institutions for education. In fact, the school names will be abandoned and the name "Hongwanji Educational Home" has already been adopted.

Under the superintendence of Bishop Y. Imamura the Hongwanji mission has more than 30 schools in the territory.

PROFESSOR SCOTT WILL LECTURE ON "THE ISSUES"

Professor M. M. Scott will lecture in Cooke hall on Thursday evening at the Y. M. C. A. on "The Issues." Professor Scott will first take up the controversy between America and Germany on the submarine issue, and will follow with a discussion on the strained relations between America and Great Britain on the blockade issue.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

The Cooke library and art gallery will not hereafter be open Sundays until further notice.

A special venire of seven persons was summoned today to complete the federal trial jury.

There will be work in the third degree at a meeting of Honolulu Lodge 469 at 7:30 o'clock this evening.

Under the direction of Lieut.-col. W. R. Riley, N. G. H., work is progressing well in the target pits on Punch-bowl.

There will be work in the third rank at a meeting at 7:30 o'clock this evening of William McKinley Lodge, K. of P.

An important business meeting of Hawaiian Trips, Order of Red Men, will be held in San Antonio hall this evening.

There will be crack shooting Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon, May 6 and 7, at St. Anthony's church grounds, Kalihi.

Order to show cause in the divorce case of Charles Arter against Estelle E. Arter was dismissed yesterday in the circuit court.

The members of Excelsior Lodge, I. O. O. F., will meet at 7:30 o'clock this evening. There will be work in the third degree.

A meeting of the Woman's Board of Missions is being held in the church parlors of Central Union church this afternoon.

The members of the Altar Society of the Church of the Sacred Hearts will meet in the church parlors at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

A meeting of the Free Kindergarten and Children's Aid Association will be held in the Library of Hawaii at 9:30 o'clock next Friday morning.

Special music for convocation services will be taken up at a meeting of the members of the choir of St. Andrew's cathedral tomorrow evening.

The pupils of Miss Margaret Electra Clarke and Miss Helen Grace Caldwell will give a recital in the Charles R. Bishop Hall on Saturday evening, May 27.

The regular monthly meeting of the Free Kindergarten and Children's Aid Association will be held at the Library of Hawaii on Friday, May 5, at 9:30 o'clock.

Under the auspices of the Mothers' Club of Kaimuki, a social and dance will be held in the assembly hall of the Liliuokalani school at 7:30 o'clock next Friday evening.

"Wealth" will be the topic for discussion at a meeting of the Men's Bible Class at the Y. M. C. A. at 6:45 o'clock this evening. Rev. A. A. Eber-sole is the class leader.

The trial of Solomon Kapono has been set for Thursday morning in police court. Kapono is the jailer at Pearl Harbor and is accused of having assaulted one of his prisoners.

On the telephone last night the police were informed that some one was trying to break into the Hawaiian Trust Company offices. Thorough investigation revealed nothing.

St. Anthony's church, the new Catholic edifice in Kalihi, will be dedicated at 10 o'clock next Sunday morning. On Saturday evening an old-fashioned bazaar will be held.

Today 18 wireless operators will leave Fort Shafter for San Francisco in the Sonoma. They are of the Signal Corps, U. S. A., and will join the punitive expedition in Mexico.

"The Issues" will be the topic of a wrap talk which Prof. Marion M. Scott, principal of the McKinley High school, will deliver in Cooke Hall, Y. M. C. A. building, at 8 o'clock next Thursday evening.

Trustees of the Kapiolani estate yesterday filed an ejectment suit in the circuit court against the city and county of Honolulu. The land in question lies in Kalihi and consists of 8050 square feet.

Woodrow Wilson Almeida is the name which has been given to the fifth child of Mrs. and Mrs. Querino L. Almeida of 207 Perry street, Anahulu. Young Almeida arrived last Sunday morning.

Prof. J. F. Illingworth of the College of Hawaii will deliver a lecture on the topic, "Preservation of Our Street Trees," to the members of the Out-door Circle at the home of Mrs. F. J. Lowrey May 9, beginning at 3 o'clock.

Preliminary engineering on the proposed widening of Nuuanu avenue and Hotel street is progressing steadily, according to George M. Collins, city engineer. He promises a report for the next meeting of the supervisors.

Having been served in San Francisco, the divorce papers in the case of Archibald Hickman against Mrs. Irene Hickman were returned here yesterday. The suit was filed here April 10. Hickman alleges desertion as the cause for the suit.

The trial of Efema Stephanoff, a Russian woman charged with bigamy, will begin in the federal court at 8:30 o'clock Thursday morning, May 11.

Application for a passport has been made in the federal court by David Pua, who will leave Honolulu for India on the steamer Tenyo Maru June 16.

Marc Klaw, theatrical magnate, who is visiting in Honolulu, has been pre-

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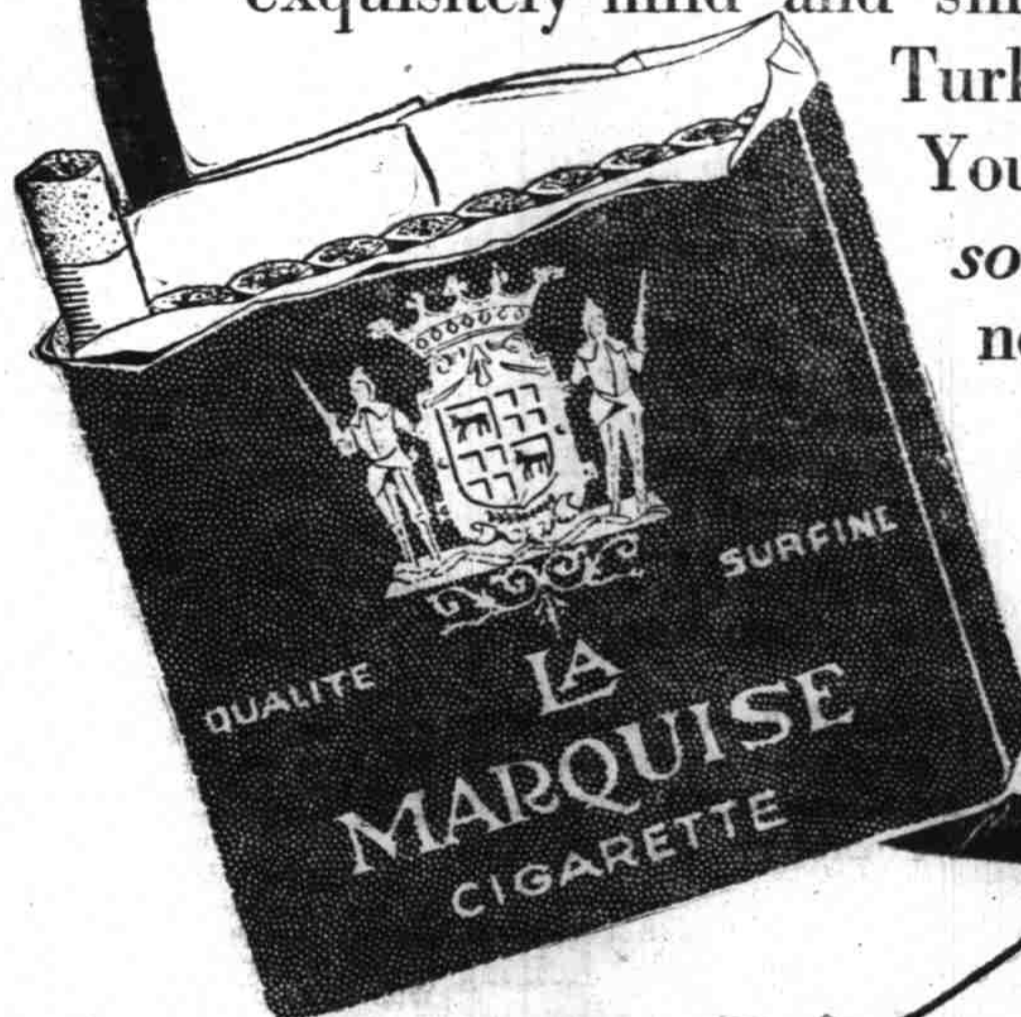
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sented by the Promotion Committee with a picture of a pretty Hawaiian maiden in recognition of the work which he has done toward spreading Hawaii's fame on the mainland.

As delegates from Court Lunailo No. 6600, Ancient Order of Foresters, to the biennial convention of Foresters which convenes at Oakland, Cal., next week, Sheriff Charles H. Rose and Joseph Orjenstein will leave for San Francisco in the Matsunaka tomorrow.

Considerable damage was done to the Waikiki end of the O. R. and L. station last night when a string of cars became detached from a locomotive and slid off the end of the track. The accident occurred while the passenger train for Ewa was being made up. No one was injured.

The case of Oscar Nordmann, baggage clerk on the steamer Sonoma, went to trial in the federal court today and will be continued at 8:30 o'clock tomorrow morning. Nordmann, with Yee Mun Wai, a local Chinese, is charged with attempting to land a trunkful of opium in Honolulu.

DAILY REMINDERS

Round the island in auto, \$4.00 Lewis Stables. Phone 2141.—Adv.

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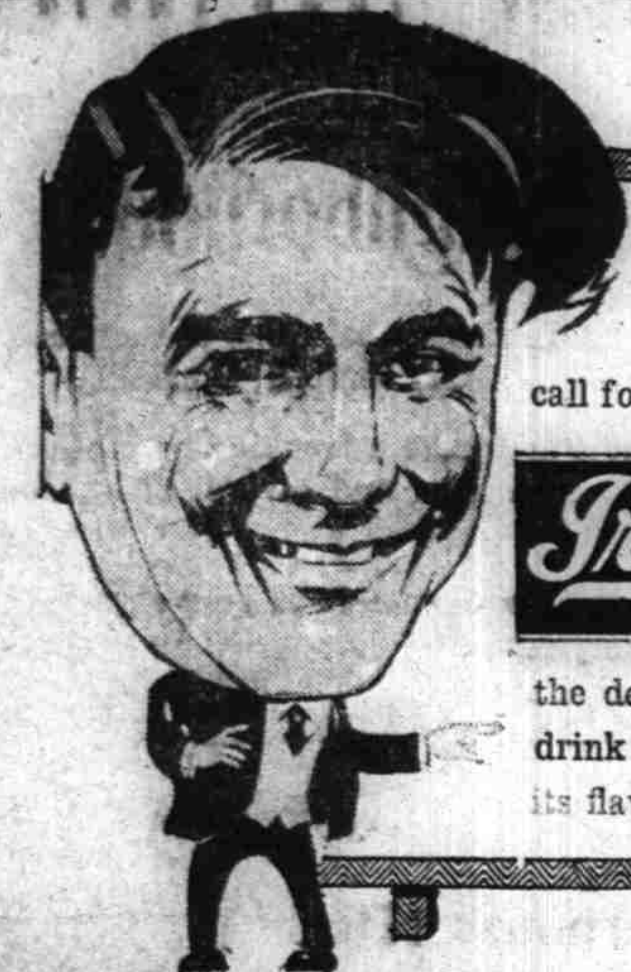
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